

# ERA-G311

### **Sound Field Processor**

• OWNER'S MANUAL (page 2- page 35) Please read this manual to maximize your enjoyment of the outstanding performance and feature capabilities of the equipment, then retain the manual for future reference.

ſ	LISTENING POSITION SE	LECTOR
	EQ SEL L.P.S.	SOUND FIELD PROCESSOR ERA-GBII
	PRANC EQUALIZER / GURROLAN     18 ANA) CRAN TANO EQUALIZER	
	BBE SUR EQ	

Precautions



This label is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operating instructions. Failure to heed the instructions will result severe injury or death.

**DO NOT DISASSEMBLE OR ALTER.** Doing so may lead to accident, fire or electric shock.

**KEEP SMALL ARTICLES OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN.** If swallowed, consult a physician immediately.

**USE THE CORRECT AMPERE RATING WHEN REPLACING FUSES.** Failure to do so may result in fire or electric shock.

HALT USE IMMEDIATELY IF A PROBLEM APPEARS. When problems occur such as a lack of sound or video, foreign objects inside the unit, smoke coming out, or noxious odors, stop use immediately and contact the dealer where you bought the equipment. Failure to do so may result in an accident or injury.

**DO NOT OPERATE THE EQUIPMENT OR LOOK AT THE SCREEN WHILE DRIVING THE VEHICLE.** Operating the equipment may distract the driver from looking ahead of the vehicle and cause accident. Always stop the vehicle in a safe location before operating this equipment.

**DO NOT RAISE THE VOLUME EXCESSIVELY.** Keep the volume at a level where you can still hear outside noises while driving. Driving while unable to hear outside noises could be the cause of accident.

**DO NOT USE THIS EQUIPMENT FOR PURPOSES OTHER THAN STATED FOR THE VEHICLE.** Failure to do so may result in electric shock or injury.

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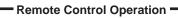
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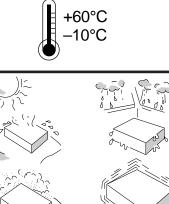


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## Precautions



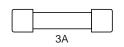
#### Temperature

Be sure the temperature inside the vehicle is between  $+60^{\circ}C$  ( $+140^{\circ}F$ ) and  $-10^{\circ}C$  ( $+14^{\circ}F$ ) before turning your unit on.

#### Installation Location

Make sure the ERA-G311 will not be exposed to:

- Direct sun and heat
- High humidity
- Excessive dust
- Excessive vibrations



#### **Replacing Fuses**

Replace the fuse with one with the same amperage (3A).

#### Maintenance

If you have problems, do not attempt to repair the unit yourself. Return it to your Alpine dealer or the nearest Alpine Service Station for servicing.

#### Caution

ERA-G311 allows three different modes of system as "1) 7 Band EQ + Surround + LPS + BBE", "2) 14 Band EQ + LPS + BBE" and "3) 7 Band EQ + 7 Band EQ (Dual EQ) + LPS + BBE".

When the mode is changed, all systems should be reset to change the program for DSP. This resetting is made automatically when you push the key of switching mode and cause to clear stored memory of presets.

Not to delete your stored presets, please determine the mode you use and have attention not to switch the mode after making your presets.

## Basic Operation

#### Power ON/OFF

The unit is turned OFF/ON from the head unit's Power switch.



#### Adjusting Volume/Balance/ Fader/Subwoofer

Make each adjustment on the Head Unit. For PHASE switching, press and hold the Audio Control button on the Head Unit at least **2** seconds.

Note: Some functions or displays are limited depending on the product used. If you have any question, consult with the authorized Alpine dealer.



### Equalizer/Surround English Operation



EQ SEL

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7 Band

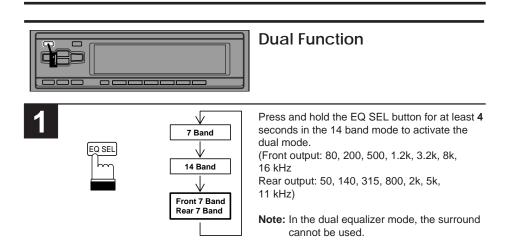
14 Band

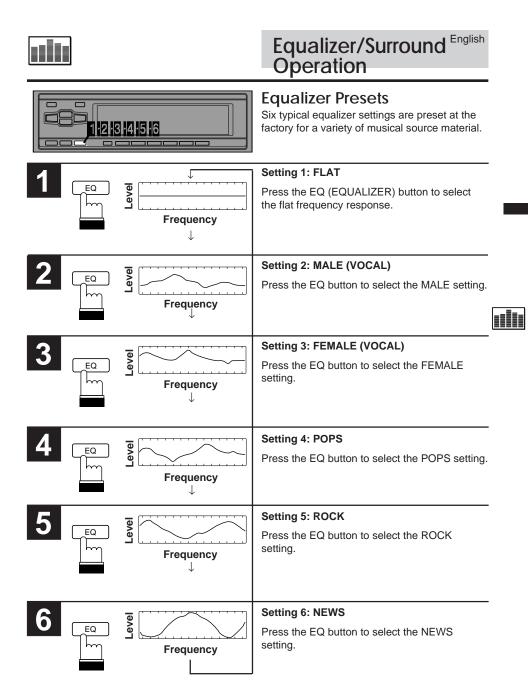
Front 7 Band Rear 7 Band

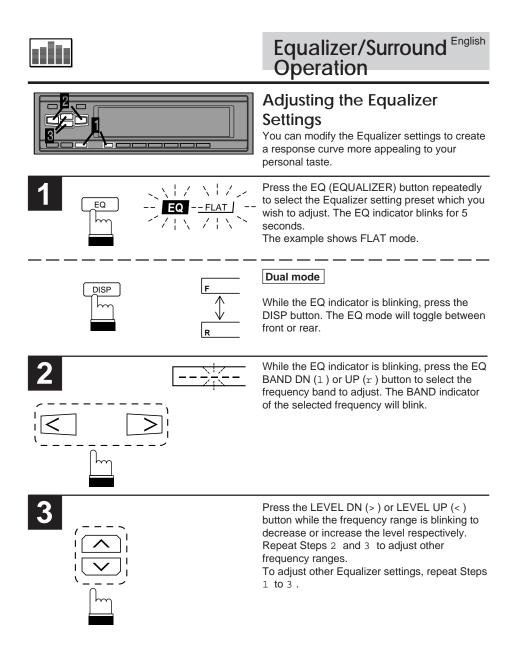
### **Band Quantity Switching**

Press and hold the EQ SEL button for at least **4** seconds to switch the equalizer band from 7 to 14 bands.

Note: In the 14 band equalizer mode, the surround cannot be used.







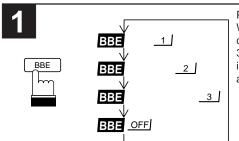


### Equalizer/Surround English Operation

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### Selecting BBE Mode

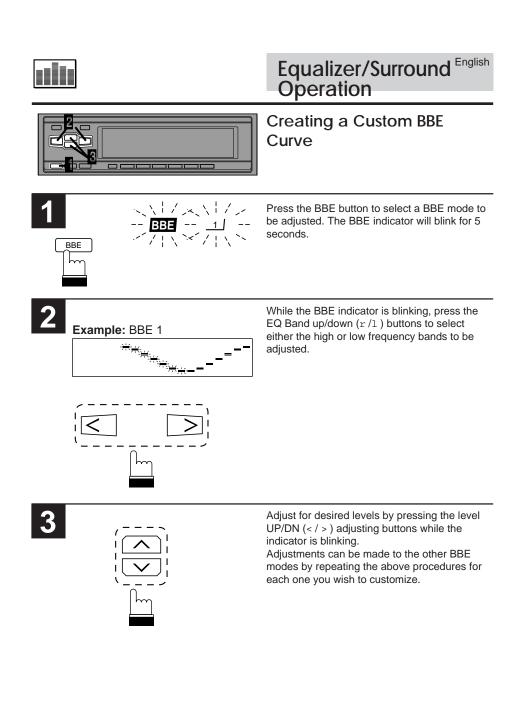
The BBE (Barcus Berry Electronics) processor installed in this unit is designed to correct the phase distortion inherent in most loudspeaker designs. Ensuring the phase integrity of the signal driving the speakers improves the accurate reproduction of the sound. When used in conjunction with the equalizer and sound field effects, optimum sound space enhancement can take place.



Press the BBE button.

With each press of the button the mode will changed in the sequence: BBE 1, BBE 2, BBE 3, and BBE OFF. The BBE effect is the highest in BBE 1 mode, will be reduced in BBE 2 mode and will have the least effect in BBE 3 mode.







# Equalizer/Surround English Operation



L.P.S.

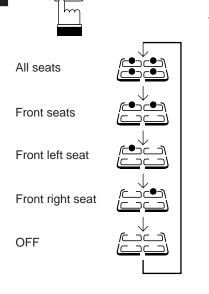
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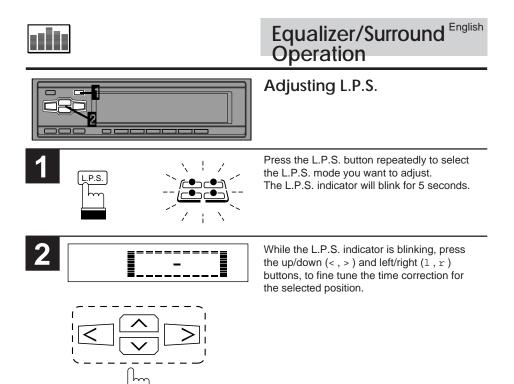
This feature gives the user the ability to adjust the time delay of the 4 main speakers to provide the ideal sound stage for each listener in the car. The staging can be optimized for the front passenger, driver, front passenger and driver, or front and rear passengers and driver.

Press the L.P.S. button repeatedly to select the desired listening position.

The L.P.S. indicator shows the seat position.









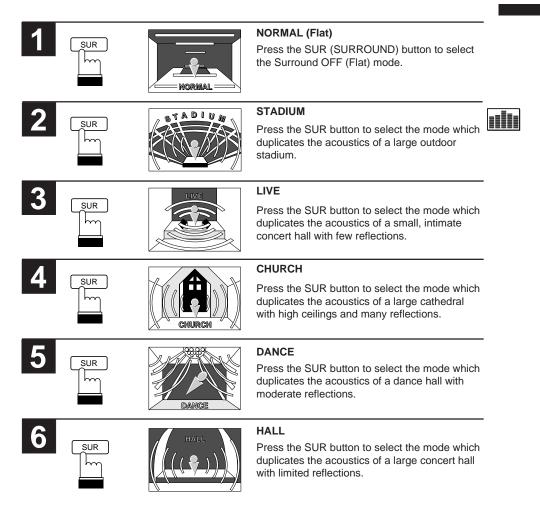
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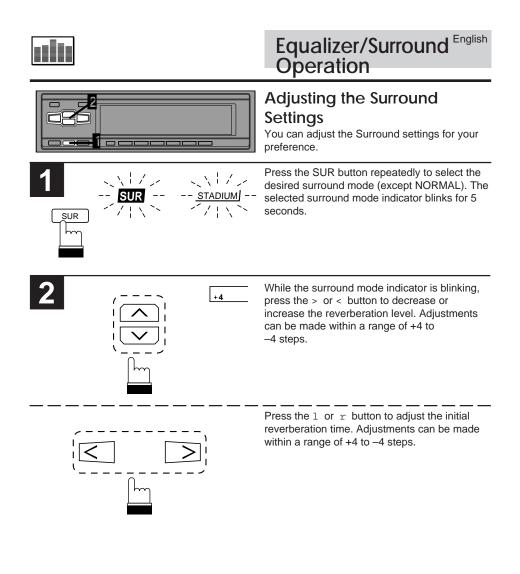


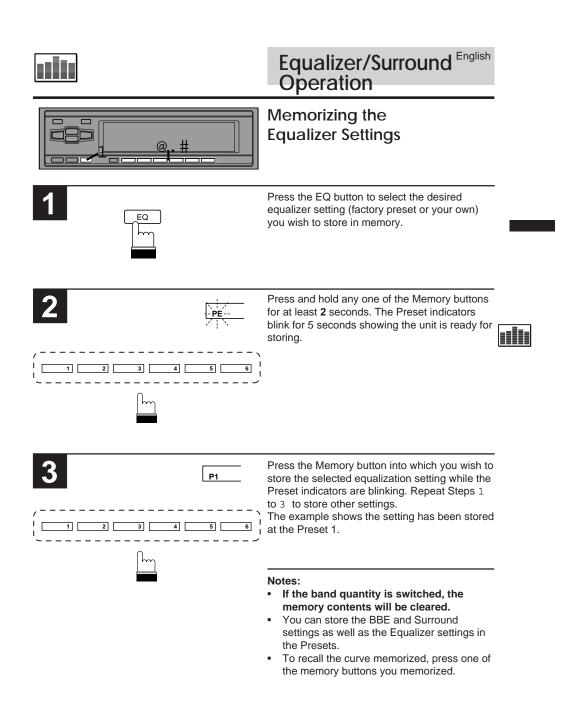
### **DSP Surround Presets**

The ERA-G311 employs DSP (Digital Signal Processing) to duplicate mathematically various listening environments. Six typical surround settings are provided for a variety of musical source material as follows.

Note: If 14-band equalizer is selected, the DSP Surround function can not be used.

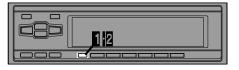








# Equalizer/Surround English Operation



### Switching Display

Press the DISP button to switch the display. Select one of the display patterns you like.





DISP

Press and hold the DISP button for more than **2** seconds. The display will toggle between normal or inverted mode.

#### Example

Normal mode



Reverse mode





## Equalizer/Surround English Operation

Pattern	Display	Description	
1		EQ Pattern	
2	d2 <b></b>	Spectrum Analizer Pattern	-
3		Peak Hold Pattern	
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5		"i" Character Pattern	
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7		Mirror Pattern	
8		Spectrum Dual Stack Pattern	
9		Scan Display (Repeats endlessly for 5 seconds from Pattern 2 to Pattern 8.)	



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RUE-4180

#### English **Remote Control** Operation

If an Alpine, Ai-Net compatible head unit is connected to the ERA-G311, some or all of the EQs functions can be controlled from the head unit's remote control.

#### Notes:

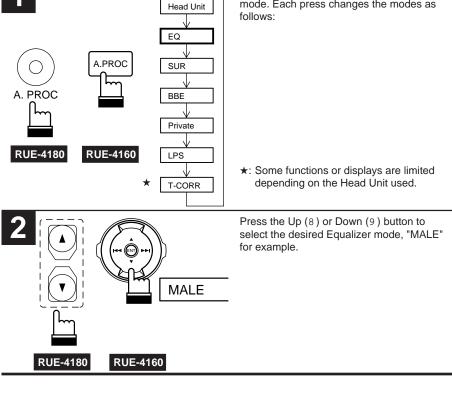
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**RUE-4160** 

- The following display examples appear in the Alpine Ai-compatible head unit displays.
- These displays will differ depending upon the Alpine head unit connected.

### Selecting the Factory Preset **Equalizer Settings**

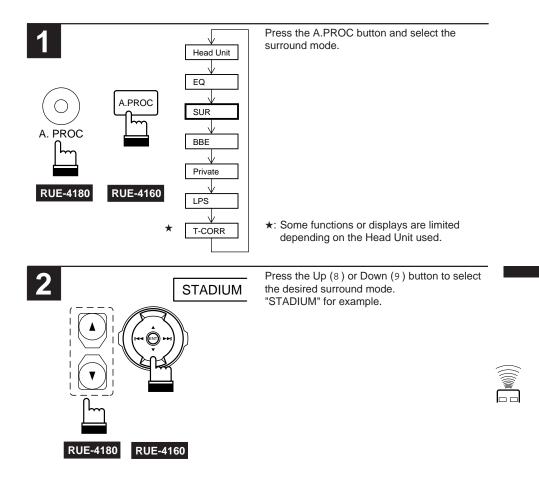
Press the A.PROC button and select the EQ mode. Each press changes the modes as follows:





#### Selecting the Factory Preset Surround Modes

Note: If 14-band equalizer is selected, the DSP Surround function can not be used.





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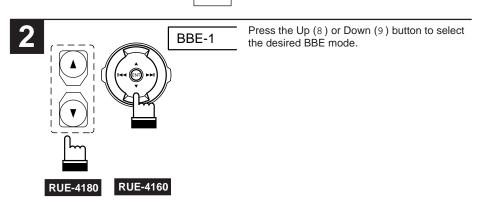
RUE-4180

# Remote Control English Operation

### Selecting the BBE Mode

Press the A.PROC (Audio Processor) button to select the BBE mode.

★: Some functions or displays are limited depending on the Head Unit used.



Head Unit

EQ

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BBE

LPS

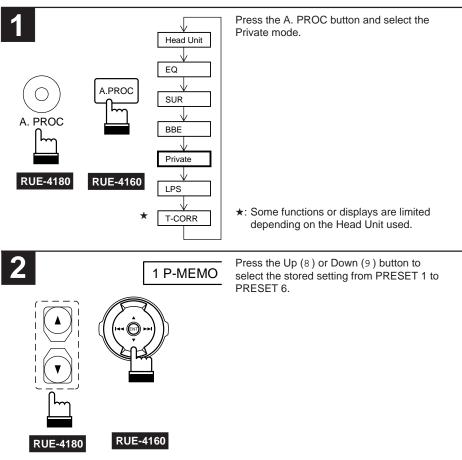
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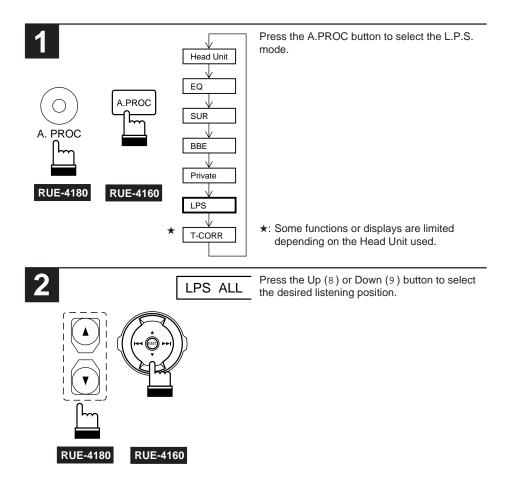


### Recalling the Stored Equalizer Settings





### Choosing the Listening Position Selector (L.P.S.)





DEFEAT

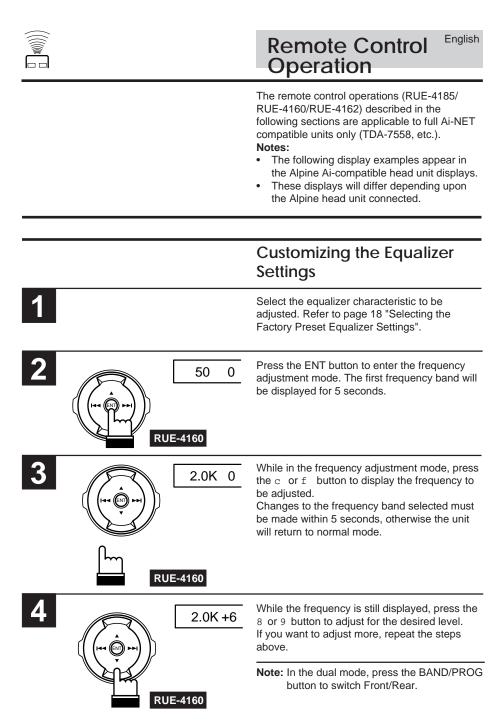
DEFEAT

# Remote Control English Operation

Turning the Defeat Mode On or Off (RUE-4160/RUE-4162 only)

Press the DEFEAT button to skip the BBE/ Surround circuit and get flat equalizer setting. The display DEFEAT is shown on the Head Unit side.

To cancel the DEFEAT mode, press the DEFEAT button a second time.

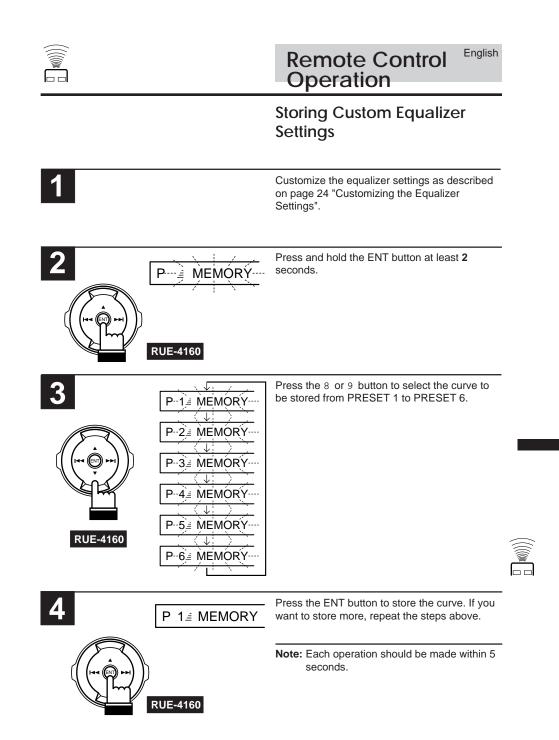


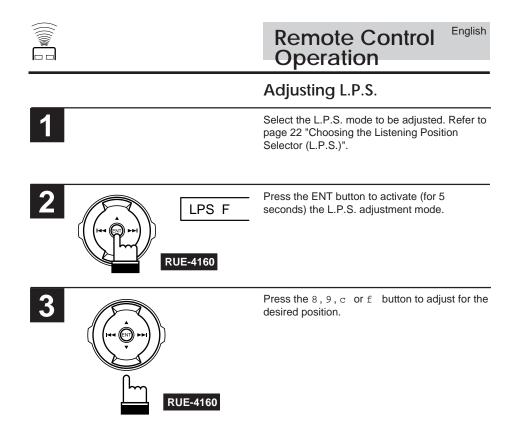
	Remote Control English Operation
	Adjusting the Surround Settings
1	Select the surround mode to be adjusted. Refer to page 19 "Selecting the Factory Preset Surround Modes".
2 SR LEVEL ±0 RUE-4160	Press the ENT button to activate (for 5 seconds) the adjustment mode.
3 SR LEVEL +3 RUE-4160	During the adjustment mode, press the 8 or 9 button to adjust for the desired level.
SR TIME -1	Press the c or f button to adjust the reverberation time.
RUE-4160	ľ



### Making the BBE by Yourself

1	Select the BBE mode you desire to adjust referring to the Page 20 "Selecting the BBE mode".
BBE - L +	Press the ENT button, and the BBE band will be displayed for 5 seconds.
3	adjusted.
4	While the band is still displayed, press the Up (8) or Down (9) button to adjust for the desired level.







#### Adjusting the Time Correction Time Correction:

The distance between the listener and the speakers in a car vary widely due to the special conditions of the mobile environment. This difference in the distances from the speakers to the listener creates a shift in the sounds image and frequency characteristics. This is caused by the time delay between the sound reaching the listener's right versus the left ear. To correct this, the ERA-G311 is able to delay the audio signal to the speakers closest to the listener. This effectively creates a perception of increased distance for those speakers. The listener can be placed at an equal distance between the left and right speakers for optimum staging.

The adjustment will be made for each speaker in a step of 0.1mS.

## Example 1. Listening Position: Front Left Seat

Adjust the time correction level of the front left speaker to a high value and the rear right to zero or a low value. (See the Illustration.) **Example 2. Listening Position: All Seats** Adjust the time correction level of each speaker to almost the same level. (See the Illustration.)

 A.PROC
 Head Unit

 Head Unit
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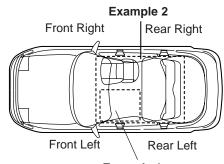
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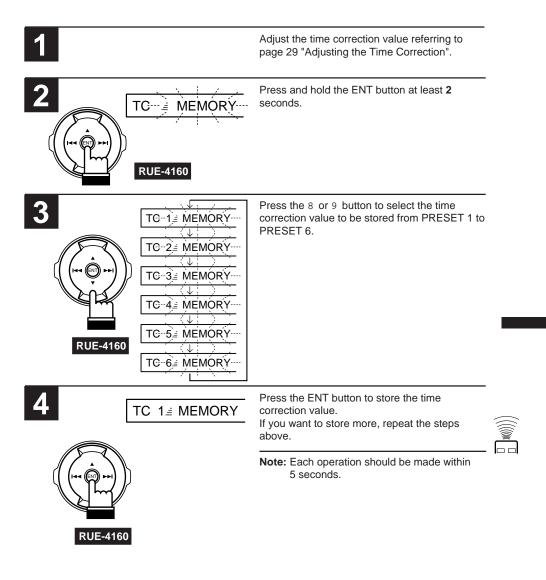


## Adjusting the Time Correction (Continued)

2 Press the ENT button to activate the time TC F L 0.0 correction mode. The time correction value will be displayed for 5 seconds. RUE-4160 Press the BAND/PROG button to select the 3  $\Gamma$ BAND channel to be adjusted. PROG TC F L 0.0  $\downarrow$ TC F R 0.0 RUE-4160  $\downarrow$ TC R L 0.0  $\downarrow$ TC R R 0.0 Press the 8 or 9 button to adjust the time 4 TC F R 5.0 correction value. To advance to the next band, repeat the steps 3 and 4. RUE-4160

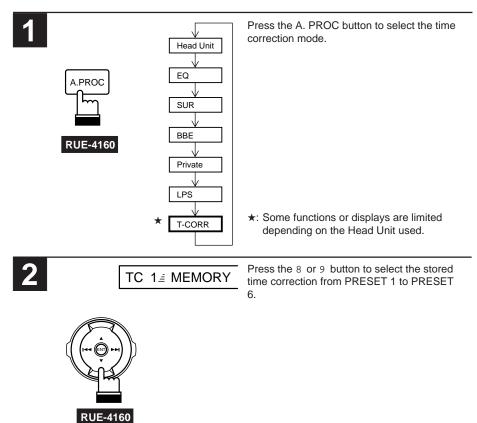


#### Storing the Time Correction





## Recalling the Stored Time Correction





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\*1: CDA-7939E only

# In Case of Difficulty

If you encounter a problem, please review the items in the following checklist. This guide will help you isolate the problem if the unit is at fault. Otherwise, make sure the rest of your system is properly connected or consult your authorized Alpine dealer.

#### Initial Turn-On After Installation

Symptom	Cause and Solution			
No function or display.	<ul> <li>Car's ignition is off.</li> <li>If connected following instructions, the unit will not operate with the car's ignition off.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Improper power lead connections.</li> <li>Check power lead connections.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Blown fuse.</li> <li>Check the fuses on the battery leads; replace with the proper value if neces- sary.</li> </ul>			

## Specifications

Number of Bands	14
Equalizer Center Frequency Range	/80/140/200/315/500/800/ k/2k/3.2k/5k/8k/11k/16kHz
Frequency Response (+1, -1 dB)	20 Hz – 20 kHz
Signal-to-Noise Ratio	100 dBA
Boost/Cut Range	±10 dB
Subwoofer Level Control	0 to +15 dB
Input Impedance	10k ohms MIN.
Output Impedance	1k ohm MAX.
Power Requirement 11 - 1	16 V DC Negative Ground
Dimensions (W x H x D) 178mm (7") x 50	mm (2") x 120mm (4-3/4")
Weight	925g (2 lbs. 1 oz)

**Note:** Due to product improvement, specifications and design are subject to change without notice.